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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified Application on the merits, please amend the Application as follows:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

On page 69, delete paragraph [00212] that extends to page 70, of the above-captioned Specification and insert the following:

--[00212] Gp1 Wt3.129 (TAA TCT TAC CCC GGA ATT ATA TCC AGC TGC ATG TCA CCA TGC AGA GCA GAC TAT ATC TCC AAC TTG TTA AAG CAA GTT GTC TAT CGT TTC GAG TCA CTT GAC CCT ACT CCC CAA AGG GAT AGT CGT TAG). These oligonucleotides (100 pmol) were annealed and extended with AMV reverse transcriptase (Amersham Pharmacia Biotech, Piscataway, NJ; 45 units) in AMV RT buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.3, 8 mM MgCl₂, 50 mM NaCl, 1 mM DTT) and dNTPs (200 μM) for 30 minutes at 37° C.